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## TO ALL PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS AND OTHER RECIPIENTS OF SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS

This Addendum is hereby made a part of the Contract Document which will be the basis of a Contract. This Addendum is issued to modify the original Solicitation Documents issued December 15, 2022. Prospective Offerors are requested to attach this Addendum to your Contract Documents. Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged in the Proposal Document (see Appendix G). Failure to do so may subject the Offerors disqualification.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS ADDENDUM IS TO:
A. Extend the deadline date for bid submissions to: February 17, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. EST
B. Provide Responses to questions:

## Questions and Responses

1. Could you provide the current Fresh Produce bid or the awarded contract information for Prince George's County Public Schools?
Answer: The current vendor is Bowie Produce. Please see attached pricing. Estimated contract value $\$ 4,000,000$.
2. I am submitting as an MBE and the Prime Contractor. Which forms of the MBE are required? Answer: Please complete and submit Attachment 1 and Appendix H. See below link:
https://www.pgcps.org/offices/general-counsel/administrative-procedures/3000---business--non-instructional-operations/ap-3325---minority-business-enterprise-procurement-procedures

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3. On the Excel spreadsheet, Group A-B Market, please provide clarification for column h (total cost (flat mark up fee + Baltimore Terminal Prices as of 06/12/18). Do you want our cost + the published Baltimore Terminal pricing as of date? If our cost is greater than Baltimore Terminal cost, are we only permitted to charge the Baltimore Terminal pricing? Does column h (Group A-B Market) include estimated usage provided multiplied by our mark-up fee plus cost?
Answer: Yes, provide distributor cost plus Baltimore Terminal Prices as of date January 23, 2023.
4. D19 on pre-cut $-1 / 4$ inch small red potato - do you want diced or sliced? skin on or off? Answer: Description should be Red Potato, Small, Pre-Cut $1 / 4$ " Diced, with skin.
5. Is this one day a week delivery?

Answer: Delivery at least one (1) day per week to each school location.
6. What is the average usage per delivery?

Answer: Depends on the school and the participation. High schools and middle schools tend to order more produce.
7. What is the estimated total value of the bid?

Answer: Please see Question and Response No. 1.
8. Is there an Act of God clause? The industry utilized "Act of God" clauses this year due to extreme weather conditions.
Answer: Please see IFB, Part VI- Appendices - Section 11(c)- Amendments and Reservations in the solicitation.
9. If prices escalate for a period of time are we to provide documentation and adjust fixed pricing for that period of time?
Answer: In accordance with Section 21.0, prices shall remain firm for one (1) year, the initial term of the agreement. Further, in accordance with Section 22.0, Item No. D. Price adjustments from the contractor/producer/processor/manufacturer for any/all items may be considered at renewal. The request is subject to approval by the Contracting Officer. The request must be submitted in writing at least ninety (90) days prior to the renewal term and shall be accompanied by supporting documentation.
10. For the USDA Commodity, what is the volume and is it the same day as the other delivery? Answer: Estimated Annual Usage is $\mathbf{2 3 , 0 0 0}$ cases of product using USDA Foods. These items are ordered by the sites per usual with their regular delivery.
11. We are going to use multiple labels from multiple origins. How do you want us to put on the bid for that? Maybe multiple?
Answer: List the labels and origins per item description.
12. If a pack size isn't exactly what their using for example if a baby carrot is $100 / 2.6$ ounce but they are asking for 100/2.5 ounce is that okay? Different brand/labels go between these 2 sizes.
Answer: The amount per serving (in each bag) needs to equal $1 / 2$ cup Fruit or Vegetable serving according to NSLP and Food Buying Guide. Link to Food Buying Guide: https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/food-buying-guide-for-child-nutrition- programs.

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13. When does the contract begin and end. Please clarify: Duration of Bid states "A bid submitted in response to this solicitation is binding upon the bidder and is considered irrevocable for a minimum of 120 days following the closing date for receipt of initial bids."
Answer: Duration of Bid relates to Pre-Award phase of the solicitation.
Provision for Price Adjustment states "The Awarded Vendor agrees that for unit price contracts (Group D and E) prices shall remain firm for 365 days. If the price is increased after 365 days, the unit price may be increased only upon approval of a written request to the Purchasing Department and the Director or FNS or designee."
Answer: This section refers to the Awarded vendor's contract price required to remain firm for the initial contract term. The initial contract term will be from contract award through June 30, 2024, with one (1) year renewals commencing on
July 1 of each year.
So my question is am I locking in price with PGCPS for 120 days or 365 days? There have been instances with mother nature that makes prices go up. What in that situation how do we lock in price? Answer: Vendors are required to ensure that the proposed bid price remains firm_for a minimum of 120 days based on the closing date of the solicitation. Should the vendor win the bid, the awardee is then expected to lock in the bid price for [one (1) year/365 days] based on the initial contract term indicated in the contract award notice. It is anticipated that the award will take place in March 2023.
14. The USDA Value Pass Through and the USDA Donated Foods programs, questions:
a. Where are the products stored?

Answer: The product should be stored under refrigeration.
b. How does the vendor obtain the products?

Answer: The prospective vendor will order from the manufacturer.
c. What are the products?

Answer: Product lists are subject to changes, but at this time, the USDA Foods item are individually wrapped sliced apples.
d. Does the vendor need to store the products, if so for how long?

Answer: The prospective vendor orders the quantity needed for the menus.
e. Are the products shelf stable?

Answer: The product using USDA Foods for this solicitation is refrigerated.
f. Do any of the products require refrigeration or are any frozen?

Answer: Yes, refrigeration.

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15. How do we handle the pack size variance when pricing the Fixed Price items.

Answer: PGCPS has a contracted price with the approved USDA Foods processing manufacturer. The Fixed Price should remain the same. Any changes, would result in amending the contract.
16. For the bid submission, we are required to submit our response on the eMaryland site, delivery 1 original hard copy plus 1 copy, and 1 USB drive with all information. Is this correct?
Answer: Yes
17. My company, is a Prince George's Co. certified MBE as well as CBSB food distributor. We are also certified as a MBE, DBE and SBE by MDOT. We would love to partner with the potential prime contractor as a county based and minority food distributor. We have experience delivering fresh produce and currently are the selected minority food distributor for the Maryland DOC contract for fresh produce.
Answer: Potential bidders may include:

Teddy Bear Fresh Produce
Easton MD
Seashore Fruit and Produce
Vineland, NJ
Sudano's Produce
Hanover, MD

## Food Service Contracting

Greenbelt, MD
Keany Produce
Landover, MD
Eastern Foods
Laurel, MD
Bowie Produce
Bowie, MD


# P.G. COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 

## FOOD \& NUTRITION SERVICES

SUITLAND, MD 20746

| Item | Description |  | Price | Item | Description | Price |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PL0010 | APPLES, RED DELICIOUS - 125CT | CASE | 36.75 | PEAR0010 | PEARS, D'ANJOU/BARTLETT 120/135 | CASE | 49.55 |
| 'PL0120 | APPLES, FUJI-125CT | CASE | 36.75 | PEPP0010 | PEPPERS, GREEN MEDIUM - $1-1 / 9$ | EACH | 1.25 |
| PL0160 | APPLES, GALA - 125 CT | CASE | 36.75 | PINE0010 | PINEAPPLES, GOLDEN - 5/6 COUNT | CASE | 18.75 |
| PL0270 | APPLES, GOLDEN DELICIOUS - 125CT | CASE | 39.35 | PLUM0010 | PLUMS, BLACK - CASE | CASE | 45.75 |
| PL0300 | APPLES, GRANNY SMITH - 125CT | CASE | 39.75 | POTA0180 | POTATOES, RED 1/8 CUT - 20LB | CASE | 30.00 |
| PL0750 | APPLES, SLICED - 100/2oz | CASE | 28.50 | RADI0020 | RADISHES, RED CELLO-30/6 OZ | EACH | 0.75 |
| NA0050 | BANANAS, PETITE - 150CT | CASE | 27.75 | SALS0020 | SALSA, PICCO de GALLO-6/1LB | CASE | 18.50 |
| OC0030 | BROCCOLI, FLORETTES - 4/3LB | EACH | 7.25 | SPIN0020 | SPINACH, DESTEMMED - 4/2.5LB | CASE | 23.75 |
| OC0030 | BROCCOLI, FLORETTES - 4/3LB | CASE | 28.35 | SPINO020 | SPINACH, DESTEMMED - 4/2.5LB | EACH | 6.25 |
| BB0020 | CABBAGE, GREEN SHREDDED - 4/5LB | CASE | 21.50 | STRA0050 | STRAWBERRIES, CAL/FLANDOM 8-1LB | CASE | 39.50 |
| BB0020 | CABBAGE, GREEN SHREDDED - 4/5LB | EACH | 5.75 | STRA0050 | STRAWBERRIES, CAL/FLA/DOM 8-1LB | EACH | 5.25 |
| BB0070 | CABBAGE, RED SHREDDED - 4/5LB | EACH | 9.50 | TANG0010 | TANGERINES 120 COUNT - CASE | CASE | 41.50 |
| NT0010 | CANTALOUPES - 12-15 COUNT | EACH | 2.50 | TOMA0040 | TOMATOES, $5 \times 6 / 60$ COUNT LAYER | CASE | 29.50 |
| NT0010 | CANTALOUPES - 12-15 COUNT | CASE | 29.55 | TOMA0050 | TOMATOES, GRAPE - CASE | CASE | 19.75 |
| RR0020 | CARROTS, CARROTINI 1.602 (*200CT**) | CASE | 32.75 | TOMA0050 | TOMATOES, GRAPE - CASE | EACH | 1.85 |
| रR0080 | CARROTS, STICKS - 4/5LB | EACH | 8.50 | WATE0010 | WATERMELON, RED | CASE | 14.25 |
| 2R0080 | STIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |

